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The Editor,
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Sir,

EPIDEMIOLOGY OF SKIN DISEASES IN AFRICA.

A pilot survey on this subject has yielded such interesting material that I am preparing, with the assistance of the South African Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, to make a large-scale investigation of the distribution and incidence of skin diseases on the continent of Africa. The ultimate aim is to establish a central office for information and a reference library of literature and photographs.

I wish to approach not only those in scientific and academic institutions, but also anyone who practises or has practised in Africa who could supply information, even if it were only on a limited field of the question. I would welcome the hospitality of your columns to bring this request to their attention. Questionnaires will be sent on request to anyone willing to help.

Yours faithfully,

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Gentlemen :

The research library of the Institute of Experimental Medicine and Surgery of the University of Montreal has suffered extensive losses owing to destruction by fire.

In attempting to rebuild our library, we should like to enlist the assistance of the readers of AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF DERMATOLOGY and ask them to send us all available reprints of their work, especially those dealing with Endocrinology and Stress.

At the same time we wish to point out that our permanent mailing list was also destroyed, hence we shall be able to send reprints of our own publications only to those of your readers who write for them.

We would be most grateful if you could find some appropriate space in your Journal for the early publication of this request.

Yours sincerely,

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